

# **GRADUATE ASSISTANCE IN AREAS OF NATIONAL NEED FY 2001 FUNDED PROJECTS**



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Higher Education Act of 1965, as Amended  
Title VII Part A Subpart 2**

**U.S. Department of Education  
Office of Postsecondary Education**

## Program Information

The purpose of the GAANN program is to attract students of superior ability and achievement, exceptional promise, and demonstrated financial need, into high-quality graduate programs designed to sustain and enhance graduate education in areas of national need. For FY 2001, the Secretary of Education has determined that the areas of national need are **biology, chemistry, computer and information science, engineering, geological sciences, mathematics and physics. The Secretary also accepts multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary applications, which propose projects incorporating two (2) or more areas of national need.**

In order to meet the need in these areas, the program provides fellowships through academic departments of institutions of higher education (IHE) to assist graduate students of superior ability who demonstrate financial need. The stipend amount for the GAANN fellowships is set at a level equal to that of the National Science Foundation graduate fellowships, except that this amount must be adjusted as necessary so as not to exceed the fellow's demonstrated level of financial need. For FY 2001, the maximum stipend amount is set at \$18,000. The amount of the institutional payment received by an IHE for each student awarded a fellowship at the institution is \$10,857 for FY 2001.

## FY 2001 Application Characteristics

As shown in the following chart, the allocation of recommended awards was based on the demand in each discipline and the relative quality of the proposals within each discipline. A total of 432 new fellows will be supported at 86 institutions.

<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Number of Proposals Submitted</b>	<b>Number of Awards Received</b>	<b>Number of Fellows Received</b>
Biology	29	12	63
Chemistry	32	13	69
Com. Science	13	6	28
Engineering	52	22	113
Geo. Science	7	3	15
Math	20	8	43
Physics	21	10	45
Interdisciplinary	20	9	43
Multidisciplinary	6	3	13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>432</b>